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Philippine Election Violence

The list below categorizes violent incidents reported prior to, during, and immediately after the election. Our sources are

[redacted]
[redacted] the observations of US Embassy personnel in both Manila and the provinces, [redacted] which we consider reliable. [redacted]

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We can document a minimum of 61 people who have been killed in election violence to date. Press reports suggest the actual total may be close to 100. The overwhelming majority of deaths occurred on Election Day and the individuals killed were generally engaged in the guarding of ballot boxes and other election materials. Those killed before and after the balloting on 7 February were primarily the victims of assassination squads. [redacted]

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Incidents Attributable to the New Peoples Army

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-- On the eve of the election--6 February--one man was killed and several others wounded when Communist guerrillas tossed a grenade into a jeep full of Marcos supporters in Bamban, Tarlac Province, according to international press reports.

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-- [redacted] a barangay captain was shot in Tuguam, Zamboanga del Sur, on Election Day by a Communist insurgent assassination squad.

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-- Also on 7 February, 100 Communist insurgents attacked the town of Tandag in Surigao del Sur Province, [redacted].

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- Nine government soldiers and two schoolteachers were killed on Election Day while transporting ballot boxes in Claveria, Misamis Oriental, according to local press reports.
- According to local press reports, four Communist insurgents were killed when they ambushed a tank escorting government election officials carrying ballot boxes in Misamis Oriental Province on Election Day.
- A ruling party official was slain by Communist insurgents while casting his ballot in Iloilo City, Iloilo Province on Election Day, according to local press reports.
- In Tuguan, Zamboanga del Sur, a local ruling party official was shot and killed by a Communist insurgent assassination squad on 7 February [REDACTED].

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Incidents Attributable to the Ruling Party

- According to US Embassy observers, armed thugs hired by ruling party Assemblyman, Vic Dominguez, forcibly ejected UNIDO election observers and destroyed ballot boxes in Banko, Mountain Province, on Election Day.

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- Opposition workers in Manila charged that armed men from Marcos's ruling party beat and abducted an Aquino supporter on Election Day, according to international press reports.
- At least twelve opposition supporters were injured on 14 February, according to international press reports, when attacked by Marcos supporters during a demonstration outside the National Assembly complex.

Incidents Attributable to Opposition Groups

- According to local press reports, an opposition member of Parliament allegedly entered a polling place in Abo, Camarines Sur, on Election Day and assaulted a voter. He was subsequently charged with terrorism.
- According to local press reports, on 7 February, a ruling party member in San Roque, Tarlac, was beaten by a group of people reported to be opposition members.

Incidents for Which the Perpetrator Cannot Be Identified

- An influential opposition figure in Botolan, Zambales Province, was killed on 26 January by gunmen believed to be members of the provincial governor's private security force,

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- According to US Embassy observers, in the town of Calape, an arsonist set fire to a polling place on the night before the election.

- [REDACTED] a local ruling party official was kidnapped from his home in Dabon, Davao del Sur, on Election Day.

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- Two opposition leaders were killed in Sorsogon Province on Election Day, [REDACTED].

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- [REDACTED] a grenade was thrown by unknown persons in Porac, Pampanga Province, on Election Day.

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- According to US Embassy observers, a NAMFREL volunteer was shot on Election Day while trying to prevent the theft of ballot boxes by five unidentified gunmen in Mambusao.

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- According to international press reports, two opposition group leaders were shot in Davao City on Mindanao Island on Election Day and eleven election workers and their escorts were also killed on Mindanao. 25X1
 - In Concepcion City, Tarlac Province, several masked men fired shots at a US news team that had filmed the attempted theft of a ballot box by an unidentified individual on 7 February, according to international press reports. 25X1
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- A ruling party supporter wearing a Marcos-Tolentino pin was shot to death by four armed men while standing in front of his house in South Duhat, Pampanga Province, on Election Day, [REDACTED]. 25X1
 - [REDACTED] three government soldiers were wounded by gunfire while guarding the polling place in Sinungtan, Albay Province, on Election Day. 25X1
 - On 7 February in San Antonio, Tarlac, a group of armed men entered the polling place and stole the ballot box, according to US Embassy observers. They fired at newsmen who tried to film the scene. 25X1
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- According to US Embassy observers, a UNIDO election volunteer was killed in General Santos City, South Cotabato Province, on 8 February, while guarding ballot boxes.
- According to international press reports, on 10 February, a sniper shot and killed an Aquino supporter and wounded another in a motorcade travelling to a protest demonstration at the National Assembly in Manila.
- On 11 February, six masked men ran down and shot to death Evelio Javier, former governor of Antique Province and an influential UNIDO party organizer, according to the US Embassy. A Philippine constabulary captain and several associates have been charged with the murder.
- According to international press reports, the mutilated corpses of five opposition campaigners were found in Quirino Province on 14 February.

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